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SIHANOUK'S SUPPORT IN CAMBODIA

This memo is very well summarized in the opening section on "Key Judgements" (pages 1-2). The answer, in brief, is that Sihanouk would enjoy fairly widespread and genuine support if he somehow were returned to power -- certainly more than now enjoyed by Lon Nol -- but that no significant group of Cambodians is able or willing to exert itself to get him there.

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